



# Update 18

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*Helping you to stay abreast of current developments in remanufacturing worldwide.*

Here's the latest newsletter for the **Centre for Remanufacturing & Reuse**, established by Oakdene Hollins Ltd with Defra support to promote remanufacturing and other reuse options.

Read our **Centre News** for the latest progress in the promotion of remanufacturing and other reuse options.

Keep up to date by reading our **Industry News**.

Further information on the items below, many other current reports and news items and back issues of the newsletter can also be found on our **website**.

You can contact the **Centre for Remanufacturing & Reuse** directly by either using the remanufacturing hotline **01296 337165** or e-mailing **info@remanufacturing.org.uk**.

**IMPORTANT NEWS from our sponsors:**

Government funded support for reuse and remanufacture in England is changing. From the 1st April 2010 WRAP (Waste & Resources Action Programme) will be the single point of contact for businesses and organisations looking for support and guidance on improving their resource efficiency. These changes will make it quicker and easier for people to get what they need. WRAP will provide a one-stop-shop, pulling together the support previously offered by seven resource efficiency programmes<sup>1</sup> in England. For more information on how support is going to be provided from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, go to [www.wrap.org.uk/england](http://www.wrap.org.uk/england) or contact the WRAP helpline on 0808 100 2040.

<sup>1</sup> WRAP, NISP, Envirowise, CRR, CRWP, AS, BREW Centre for Local Authorities

**IMPORTANT NEWS from CRR:**

CRR will still provide services through the [www.remanufacturing.org.uk](http://www.remanufacturing.org.uk) website, offering news, reports, tools, resources and event details. Whilst WRAP will fund the public programme (some of which may be provided by CRR), we will be developing a range of commercial services including standards, educational materials, events, sector initiatives and in-company consultancy. If you're interested in our commercial services (including accreditation – see below), contact **David Parker**.

**BS8887:220 Live!**

After nearly a year in development, we are pleased to announce that *BS8887-220: Design for manufacture, assembly, disassembly and end-of-life processing - Part 220: Remanufacture* has been published and is now available for purchase from the BSI website. We plan to follow this up with more product specific standards. If you think your product needs a standard, please contact **Ben Walsh**. More information on this standard can be found [here](#).

**Accredit your remanufacturing process**

Following on from the development of a remanufacturing standard, we plan to begin auditing suitable remanufacturers this summer and at the same time developing a 'seal of approval' logo that will enable purchasers to identify high quality remanufacturers. More information can be found [here](#) - alternatively, contact **Ben Walsh**.

**Office furniture: Hot desks!**

After a year of work, the highly successful *Reuse of Chairs Project* is coming to a close. Details on what the project achieved can be found on a [new section of our website](#). Although the project is now closed, our interests in this area continue and we will be working with Defra to implement a 5% uptake in reused furniture across all of central government. If you'd like more information, please contact **Ben Walsh**.

### **Business leaders: Learn yourself reman!**

As part of its Continuing Professional Development, CRR will be imminently launching its *Reman Case Study*. Initially aimed at business schools, and based on SONY's PS2/3® Refurb Programme, the materials can be adapted for in-company use. Contact **David Parker** for details.

### **Where to buy: Support for offices purchasers**

Soon to be released: a short brochure of typical office-based equipment and supplies where buyers can make environmental and financial gains from buying reman. To register interest, contact **Caroline Bartlett**.

### **Market failures in Reman: Report**

To inform, guide and influence policy makers, CRR has completed an analysis of the reman markets and why they don't work in some cases. Further, there's a guide to what the Government or sector bodies could do about it. You can read the report **here**.

### **Remanufacturing of small and medium wind turbines: Report**

This report follows on the heels of our previous Product Group report. Findings suggest that remanufacturing wind turbines can provide capital-cost reductions to consumers of 50%, and energy savings of 80%, compared to the production of new turbines. However, while successful remanufacturing operations have been evident in the UK, the industry is currently in decline, largely due to barriers created by recent Government policy. Read the full report **here**.

### **External event: Sustainable Manufacturing - Cambridge - May 2010**

This is your chance to learn how you can make real environmental improvements to your business without costing the earth, by attending this international conference on industrial sustainability on 19 and 20 May 2010. Click **here** to download the conference brochure and to register. N.B. This event is not organised by CRR; please do not contact us for information.

### **Date for the Diary: CRR Stakeholder Workshop**

Make a date in your diary for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2010 in London when we hope to hold our delayed stakeholder event to discuss relevant reman and reuse issues, and the needs of the industry.

## **USA: Mattress recycling growing**

Recycling is coming slowly to the \$9 billion mattress industry, as the journey of mattresses purchased when the Pala Casino Spa & Resort opened in 2001 shows. All of these old mattresses will go through a state-mandated sanitizing process before they are rebuilt and resold.

**[Read more.](#)**

## **Global automotive remanufacturing market**

GIA announces the release of a comprehensive global report on Automotive Remanufacturing. The world market for automotive remanufacturing is projected to reach \$104.8 billion by 2015.

Growth is primarily forecast to be driven by stringent environmental regulations demanding eco-friendly automobile production, rising average life of vehicles, recession induced decline in new automobile purchases, and growing interest among industry players as well as end-users in tapping economic and environmental benefits that the technology has to offer.

**[Read more.](#)**

## **Global automotive remanufacturing industry: Report**

This report analyzes the worldwide markets for Automotive Remanufacturing in US\$ Billion. The report provides separate comprehensive analytics for US, Europe and Rest of World. Annual forecasts are provided for each region for the period 2006 through 2015.

**[Read more.](#)**

## **Latvia: Investment in automatic transmission remanufacturing**

Company Recro has invested LVL 1 million (GBP1.28 million) into Eastern Europe's only automatic transmission remanufacturing plant, which is located in Cesis, Latvia. The plant has the most up-to-date equipment for remanufacturing and comprehensive testing of automatic transmissions of all sizes and applications, reports LETA.

**[Read more.](#)**

## **USA: Remanufacturing medical device strategies**

Ascent, the market leader in the remanufacturing of medical devices in the U.S., announced today that its hospital partners realized hundreds of millions of dollars in cost savings through the use of medical device remanufacturing programmes in 2009.

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